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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : WORTHINGTON, Mark Oscar
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For : OPTICAL DISC SYSTEM AND RELATED
DETECTING METHODS FOR ANALYSIS
OF MICROSCOPIC STRUCTURES
Examiner : HUBER, Paul W.
Art Unit : 2653

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 10, 2005, the Applicant hereby elects Group III, i.e. Claims 39-52. The Applicant makes this election without traverse and respectfully requests prompt examination on the merits of the elected claims.

By this paper, the Applicant hereby withdraws groups I-II and IV-VI, i.e. Claims 1-38 and 53-133. The Applicant reserves the right to pursue the restricted subject matter in subsequent divisional application(s) and respectfully requests that, should generic claims be found allowable, the withdrawn subject matter be rejoined to the application.

A complete listing of claims and their status begins on page 2 of this paper.